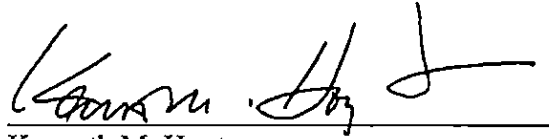


Because plaintiff has been granted leave to file his first amended complaint, the pending motion to dismiss filed by Defendants (EFC No. 9) is hereby **DENIED AS MOOT**.

IT IS SO ORDERED

SIGNED at Houston, Texas, on February 27, 2025.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kenneth M. Hoyt", is written over a horizontal line.

Kenneth M. Hoyt
United States District Judge